IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of	
Thierry CHARBONNEAUX et al.	Group Art Unit: 1794
Application No.: 10/534,209	Examiner: Newton O. Edwards
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For: ARTICLES WITH ANTIBACTERIAL AND ANTIFUNGAL ACTIVITY	

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-RESPONSIVE REPLY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In complete response to the Notice of Non-Responsive Reply mailed October 10, 2008, Applicants submit herewith the following Response which supplements the Response already submitted on August 28, 2008, which was filed in response to a Restriction/Election Requirement mailed July 28, 2008.

Applicants hereby further elect, <u>with traverse</u>, the species - the zinc sulphide is in the form of particles coated with at least one mineral compound - in claim 20, for the purposes of searching only.

In making the species elections, Applicants understand that the Office will follow the procedure set forth in M.P.E.P. § 809.02, which provides for a complete action on the merits of all claims readable on the elected species, and in M.P.E.P. § 803.02, whereby on the finding of allowable species, examination will continue with the non-elected species until all species have been examined or a non-allowable species is found.

Applicants have no intention of abandoning any non-elected subject matter and should it be necessary, Applicants expressly reserve the right to file one or more continuation and/or divisional applications directed to non-elected subject matter.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number, if it is believed that prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

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